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THE REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA

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Anthony A. Price, Chairman Kate Giard Dave Harbour

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In the Matter of the Negotiated Joint Traffic Interconnection Agreement Between YUKON TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. and Alaska DigiTel, LLC

U-07-119

ORDER NO. 2

ORDER APPROVING INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT AND CLOSING DOCKET

BY THE COMMISSION:

Summary

We approve the joint traffic interconnection agreement between Yukon Telephone Company, Inc. (YTC), a local exchange carrier, and Alaska DigiTel, LLC (Ak DigiTel). We close this docket.

Background

YTC submitted a negotiated interconnection agreement between Ak DigiTel, a wireless carrier, and itself. We issued public notice of the agreement with comments due by November 2, 2007. We received no comments.

¹Joint Traffic Interconnection Agreement, filed September 20, 2007 (Interconnection Agreement).

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Discussion

Under the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act),² we must approve or reject a negotiated agreement within ninety days after its submission or the agreement shall be deemed approved.³ We may reject the agreement if it discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or if implementation of the agreement, or any portion thereof, is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.⁴

We reviewed the proposed interconnection agreement. The agreement provides for the parties' interconnection of networks and for reciprocal compensation for the termination of telecommunications traffic between YTC and Ak DigiTel. The interconnection agreement also provides that Ak DigiTel will pay YTC \$184.81 per month, equivalent to fifty percent of the monthly recurring charges, for the requested number of local trunks between YTC's facilities and Ak DigiTel's central office, both located in Whittier, Alaska.⁵ The facilities charges will be based on YTC's tariffs, as amended periodically.⁶

Based on the record before us, we do not find that the terms in the interconnection agreement are discriminatory to third parties or that the terms are inconsistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Therefore, we approve the interconnection agreement.

²1996 Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-104, 110 Stat.56 (1996) amending the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 151 *et seq.* (the Act).

³47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(4).

⁴47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A).

⁵Interconnection Agreement at 1.

⁶*Id.* at 2.

This order constitutes the final decision in this proceeding. This decision may be appealed within thirty days of the date of this order in accordance with AS 22.10.020(d) and the Alaska Rules of Court, Rule of Appellate Procedure (Ak. R. App. P.) 602(a)(2). In addition to the appellate rights afforded by AS 22.10.020(d), a party has the right to file a petition for reconsideration as permitted by 3 AAC 48.105. If such a petition is filed, the time period for filing an appeal is then calculated under Ak. R. App. P. 602(a)(2).

No substantive or procedural matters remain in this proceeding, and there are no allocable costs under AS 42.05.651 and 3 AAC 48.157. Accordingly, we close this docket.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION THEREFORE ORDERS:

- 1. The *Joint Traffic Interconnection Agreement*, filed September 20, 2007, by Yukon Telephone Company, Inc. on behalf of Alaska DigiTel and itself is approved, effective the date of this order.
 - 2. Docket U-07-119 is closed.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE at Anchorage, Alaska, this 19th day of December, 2007.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION (Commissioners Mark K. Johnson and Anthony A. Price, not participating.)



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	13	I am Administrative Clerk III in the offices of
	14	the Regulatory Commission of Alaska, 701 West Eighth Avenue, Suite 300,
	15	Anchorage, Alaska 99501. On <u>December 19, 2007</u> , I
	16	mailed copies of Order No. 2, entitled:
	17	ORDER APPROVING INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
	18	AND CLOSING DOCKET (Issued December 19, 2007)
	19	in the proceeding identified above to the persons indicated on the attached service list.
	20	DATED at Anchorage, Alaska, this 19th day of December, 2007.
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